

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 49

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of James W. "Buddy" King of Bristol.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of James W. "Buddy" King of Bristol; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King served with acumen and alacrity for many years with the Mason Dixon Freight Lines before dedicating his career to the citizens of Sullivan County as a member of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office and as Sullivan County Commissioner for twelve years; and

WHEREAS, Buddy King volunteered his time and talents to the community in various capacities, serving as a member of Masonic Lodge #444, chairman of the Board of Observation Knob Park, and chairman of Jacob's Creek Job Corp Community Resource; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King was also a devout member of Virginia Avenue Baptist Church, where he greatly inspired his fellow congregants with his enthusiasm for public service; and

WHEREAS, his rich and generous life served as a beautiful tribute to his beloved parents, the late Roy King and Mary Fleenor King; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated family man, his memory will be forever cherished by his wife of fifty-four years, Louise Calhoun King; his daughter, Donna Davenport; his son, Michael Davenport and his wife, Sharon; his grandsons, Mike Davenport and his wife, Elizabeth, Scott Davenport and his wife, Jamie, and Ben Davenport and his wife, Julia; and his great-grandchildren, John Davenport, Will Davenport, and Deuce Davenport; and

WHEREAS, he will also be sorely missed by his sisters, Lou Ann Hodge and Linda King Brittenham and her husband, Jack; his brother, Richard "Dickey" King and his wife, Linda; his brothers-in-law, David Calhoun and his wife, Joan, and Jerry Calhoun and his wife, Pauline; and a host of nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Buddy King leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of James W. "Buddy" King reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. King.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.